

Meeting was called to order at 1500 hours by Curt Oda, the Advisory Board Vice Chair.

Curt Oda, Vice-Chair  
Gary Harter, Executive Director, UDVMA  
Alana Sparkman GEWOVH, State Officer  
Robert Crawford "Tex" Veterans Council President  
James "Jim" Harvey  
Jim Kopecky  
Frank Maughan  
Paula Stephenson  
Jay Wells  
Tressa Quayle  
Carl Hugie, Avalon Administrator

Excused  
Dennis McFall, Deputy Director, UDVMA  
Blake Wahlen, Chair  
Donelle Ricketts

**Welcome and Introduction:**

Curt Oda welcomed everyone to the Advisory Board Meeting at 1500 hours:

**State Officer's Report:**

1. Alana briefed the board on some of the events at the GEWOVH.
  - a. 3 Jul Depot Day Care Program coming to sing at 1130am
  - b. 6 Jul Join us to enjoy the lovely singing of the Benson Sisters 3pm
  - c. 9 Jul week timeframe adding the Medal of Honor Wall to GEWOVH hallway
  - d. 13 Jul Fire/Hula/Knife Hawaiian dancers 630pm
  - e. 14 Jul Beach Baby contest at 10am
  - f. 18 Jul Stampede Cowboy and Cowgirl at 3pm
  - g. 20 Jul Veterans to Wendover
  - h. 25 Jul Tie Dye shirts at 3pm
  - i. TBD Outing to Ogden Pizzeria
  - j. 27 Jul 60s Groovy birthday bash with Countdown band 3pm
2. Alana briefed on the status of projects at the GEWOVH.
  - a. Surplus ongoing
  - b. HVAC systems replacement
  - c. Carpet replacement

**Gary Harter briefed on the following:**

3. Updates from the Utah Department of Veterans and Military Affairs:
  - a. Air Show at Hill AFB this weekend
  - b. Pro Bono legal services for Utah Veterans (wills, pwr of atty)
  - c. Reciprocity for Veteran's spouses out of state for licenses effective 1 Jul

**4. Avalon Report:**

Carl Hugie briefed on the following:

- a. Operational status of the home
- b. Staffing levels

**Old Business:**

None

**New Business:**

Discussion regarding the State Fair 8 -11 August. Veterans asked to complete a short survey and will receive Fair entrance for free.

1<sup>st</sup> time home buyers incentive was discussed.

Discussion about changing the POD names from Navy to "A" community.

Veterans/Resident Council President asked for a copy of the purchasing rules.

Senator Hatch's office confirmed receipt of letter drafted requesting a Veterans Memorial Cemetery addition in Northern Utah.

Ivins Veterans home replacing the swamp coolers and Payson is upgrading their heating elements, GEWOVH replacing HVAC units this summer.

MOPH truck making a visit to GEWOVH 14 Jul same day at the Layton Vietnam wall ceremony later that day.

American Legion hosting a Flag retirement ceremony 16 August.

Advisory Board members encouraged to visit Veterans at the conclusion of the meeting.

**Next Meeting:** Sep 20

**Future Meetings:** Oct 25 and Nov 15

**Executive Committee Meeting:**

Alana briefed the financial report

**Open Discussion:**

The meeting was adjourned at 1620